

Four-Bag & Emergency Supplies Checklist

Tick each item as prepared. Mark items you already own. Keep modules in appropriate places; only assemble them when safe to do so.

BAG 1 | Clear waterproof documents pouch

- ☐ Clear, durable A4 waterproof pouch, with an inner sealed sleeve for critical papers
- ☐ Passports and identity documents: copies or note of secure location
- ☐ Driving licences: details or copies where appropriate
- ☐ Birth, marriage, civil partnership, adoption and death certificates: copies/location
- ☐ Educational and professional certificates: copies/location for recovery after loss
- ☐ NHS numbers, prescription list, allergies and relevant care instructions
- ☐ Home buildings, contents and flood insurance: policy numbers and claims contacts
- ☐ Motor insurance, vehicle registration number, make/model, recovery and breakdown details
- ☐ Property deeds, mortgage, lease or tenancy details: references/location
- ☐ Banking, pension and essential financial account references (NO passwords or PINs)
- ☐ Wills, lasting powers of attorney and other legal papers: secure location
- ☐ Pet microchip, veterinary, vaccination and insurance information
- ☐ Emergency contacts, meeting places and household emergency plan
- ☐ Photographs/home inventory for insurance claims; secure digital backup

V5C: Keep the original vehicle registration certificate securely stored, never in the vehicle; avoid distributing scans or copies. For emergencies, the registration and insurer's details are generally enough.

Stored at _____

BAG 2 | Medication and personal care

- ☐ Medication list with dose, timings, pharmacy, GP and allergy information
- ☐ Prescribed medication or a departure reminder for medicines kept elsewhere
- ☐ Medical-device instructions, backup batteries or power arrangements
- ☐ First-aid kit: dressings, plasters, bandages, antiseptic, gloves and useful supplies
- ☐ Spare spectacles/contact lenses and supplies; hearing-aid batteries
- ☐ Personal hygiene: wipes, sanitiser, toothbrush, menstrual/continence supplies
- ☐ Infant feeding, nappies and care supplies as needed
- ☐ Individual disability, mobility, sensory and care requirements
- ☐ Check expiry dates, storage temperatures and refrigeration needs

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Portable and family bags

BAG 3 | Portable essentials backpack

- ☐ Manageable waterproof/water-resistant rucksack, preferably with comfortable straps
- ☐ Torch, spare batteries and battery/wind-up FM radio
- ☐ Charged power bank, charging cables and phone essentials
- ☐ Printed contacts, radio frequencies, paper map and pen
- ☐ Drinking water that can be carried safely
- ☐ Ready-to-eat food, snacks and manual tin opener if needed
- ☐ Warm layers, waterproof jacket, sturdy footwear and spare socks
- ☐ Small hygiene kit, rubbish bags and tissues
- ☐ Spare house keys and modest cash in small denominations
- ☐ Whistle and compact personal first-aid supplies
- ☐ Supplies for children, dependants, assistance animals or pets

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BAG 4 | Optional family evacuation holdall

- ☐ Existing holdall, waterproof duffel, rucksack or wheeled case; sturdy handles
- ☐ Room for Bags 1 and 2, if these can be retrieved safely
- ☐ Extra clothes, blankets, sleeping bag or comfort items as needed
- ☐ Additional care, child and pet supplies
- ☐ Check the loaded bag can be moved safely; Bag 3 may remain separate

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HOME STORE | Separate from the bags

- ☐ At least 72 hours of bottled drinking water; calculate for everyone and pets
- ☐ Extra water for cooking and hygiene as feasible
- ☐ Non-perishable ready-to-eat food, special diets and pet food
- ☐ Manual tin opener and eating utensils
- ☐ Torch, batteries, radio, power banks and paper contacts
- ☐ Blankets, layers, safe heating plan, draught excluders without blocking vents
- ☐ Hand sanitiser, wipes, toilet paper, rubbish bags and cleaning supplies
- ☐ Ready-to-feed formula and other infant supplies if relevant
- ☐ Modest cash reserve and essential household supplies

Vehicle, bicycle and maintenance

CAR / VAN | Vehicle emergency kit

- ☐ Torch with batteries; high-visibility vest/jacket
- ☐ Warm blanket, gloves, hat, waterproof coat, sturdy footwear
- ☐ Drinking water and ready-to-eat snacks; inspect for temperature damage
- ☐ First-aid kit, charger/power bank and written emergency/recovery contacts
- ☐ Paper map, pen and vehicle insurance/recovery telephone numbers
- ☐ Ice scraper, de-icer and winter screenwash
- ☐ Manufacturer-appropriate tyre inflator/repair kit, and safe jump-start equipment if relevant
- ☐ Winter: small shovel and traction aid where appropriate
- ☐ Check fuel or EV charge, tyres, lights, wipers, coolant and battery
- ☐ Review vehicle kit at least every six months

EV | Additional checks

- ☐ Charging alternatives and route plan, including potential power outages
- ☐ Manufacturer-approved charging cable and recovery/towing instructions
- ☐ Battery reserve and seasonal range considerations

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MECHANICAL BICYCLE | Compact kit

- ☐ Working front and rear lights, brakes, tyres and lock
- ☐ Pump, puncture kit or spare tube, tyre levers and multitool
- ☐ Waterproof clothing, visible/reflective items and safe route plan

CHECK, REVIEW & STORE

- ☐ Write down locations of Bags 1–4 and home stores in the Household Plan
- ☐ Review every six months: contacts, food/water dates, batteries and medicine needs
- ☐ Test that the bags can be carried; avoid exposing private documents
- ☐ Check weather/flood warnings and Priority Services Register eligibility

Safety: Never delay leaving a fire or immediate danger to collect belongings. Never drive, walk or cycle through floodwater. Do not use fuel-burning cooking/heating devices indoors.

Based on UK Government Prepare, Calgary emergency-kit/vehicle-kit resources and UK transport advice. This is an independent review draft for RBWM technical comment.